



## English/Portuguese Community Interpreting Certificate

### Program Goals Statement

This certificate prepares bilingual students to work as interpreters in a variety of community settings. Students develop specialized vocabulary and communication skills and learn the standards and practices of professional interpreters and translators.

### Program Information

- Interpreters are required to demonstrate written and oral fluency in both English and Portuguese.
- ENG 101 is a co-requisite to HUM 156.
- Students with prior experience as interpreters should consult with the program director or PEL Coordinator to discuss Prior Experiential Learning (PEL) credits.

### Related Programs

All courses may be applied to an Associate in Science in General Studies, Humanities and Arts Studies.

### After Bristol

- Students with a bachelor's degree can prepare to take the Office of Court Interpreter Services (OCIS) certification exam.
- The program follows Massachusetts Medical Interpreters Association (MMIA) guidelines.

**Program:** World Languages

**Type:** Certificate of Achievement

### Campus

**Campus:**  
Fall River

### Program Requirements



| Course # | Title  | Credits |
|----------|--|---------|
| COM 160  | Intercultural Communication  | 3       |
| ENG 101  | Composition I: College Writing   | 3       |
| HUM 156  | Fundamentals of Interpreting and Translating                           | 3       |
| POR 321  | Portuguese for Interpreters  | 3       |
| POR 322  | The Portuguese Language in the World: An Introduction to the Lusofonia | 3       |
| POR 352  | Written and Sight Translation for English and Portuguese               | 3       |
| POR 353  | Interpreting Portuguese/English  | 3       |
| HUM 390  | Fieldwork in Interpreting Portuguese/Spanish                           | 3       |
|          | CRJ 101, CRJ 113 or MAA 101  | 3       |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 1

| Course # | Title  | Credits |
|----------|--|---------|
|          | CRJ 101, CRJ 113 or MAA 101                  | 3       |
| ENG 101  | Composition I: College Writing               | 3       |
| HUM 156  | Fundamentals of Interpreting and Translating | 3       |
| POR 321  | Portuguese for Interpreters                  | 3       |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 2

| Course # | Title  | Credits |
|----------|--|---------|
| POR 322  | The Portuguese Language in the World: An Introduction to the Lusofonia | 3       |
| POR 352  | Written and Sight Translation for English and Portuguese               | 3       |
| POR 353  | Interpreting Portuguese/English  | 3       |
| COM 160  | Intercultural Communication  | 3       |

## Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 3

| Course # | Title  | Credits   |
|----------|--|-----------|
| HUM 390  | Fieldwork in Interpreting Portuguese/Spanish | 3         |
|          | <b>Total credits:</b>                        | <b>27</b> |